

State of Arizona Department of Education

SCHOOL FINANCE MEMORANDUM 12-004

TO: Special Education Residential Voucher Program Administrators

FROM: Wendi Trudell, Interim Director of School Finance

DATE: August 4, 2011

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2012 Special Education Residential Voucher Program

As per ARS § 15-1184 attached is a copy of the voucher rates for the 2011-2012 school year.

Voucher payments are made on a monthly basis. Claims must be submitted by the end of business, **ten days** after the month in which the service was provided (i.e. the August claim is due on September 12th). Claims received after the **10**th of the month will be processed the following month.

You must submit and activate your fiscal year 2012 calendar electronically before we are able to process any payments. Your calendar must be submitted on-line using your common logon user name and password at https://www.ade.az.gov/commonlogon/Login.asp?Mode=Logon. After clicking on LEA Calendars, you will find a manual that will walk you through submitting your calendar. Please note, no payment will be issued without a current, active calendar submitted.

If you have any questions regarding claim submission/procedures please contact: <u>Barbara.Axe@azed.gov</u> or 602-542-8248.



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Special Education Residential Voucher Daily Rates for FY 2012

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statute 15-1184, below is the statutory formula funding daily rates for school year July 2011 through June 2012. Rate calculations are based on Arizona's mandated 180 school session days. Facilities operating outside of Arizona will be funded at the rates below for the legislative mandated school session days of the state in which they are operating. Funding will not be provided for any days that exceed the state's mandated session days. Every facility is required to submit a calendar that defines all session days, observed holidays, spring and winter breaks and any other exception days. Calendars are limited to state legislative mandated session days. Year round schools will only be funded for the state legislative mandated session days for the state in which the facility operates. Extended School Year funding is included in the regular session daily rate; additional funding is not available to facilities to provide ESY services.

K-8	HS(9-12)	Category	K-8*	HS (9-12)*
26	56	Autistic	\$128.5827	\$130.5796
8	38	Emotional Disability	\$37.9761	\$37.9761
15	45	Emotionally Disabled (Private)	\$110.2290	\$112.2259
16	46	Hearing Impairment	\$109.3031	\$111.3001
9	39	Mild Mental Retardation	\$37.9761	\$37.9761
19	49	Moderate Mental Retardation	\$102.9492	\$104.9462
21	51	Multiple Disabilities	\$128.5827	\$130.5796
20	50	Multiple Disabilities – Severe Sensory Impairment	\$166.9602	\$168.9572
10	40	Developmental Delay	\$37.9761	\$37.9761
22	58	Orthopedic Impairment	\$145.6474	\$147.6444
11	52	Other Health Impairment	\$37.9761	\$37.9761
24	54	Severe Mental Retardation	\$128.5827	\$130.5796
12	42	Specific Learning Disabled	\$37.9761	\$37.9761
13	43	Speech Language Impairment	\$37.9761	\$37.9761
25	55	Visual Impairment	\$109.9385	\$111.9355

^{*}A student's daily rate is established based on the age of the student on September 1st. A student, who turns 14 years of age on or before September 1st, will be funded for the entire school year at the daily rate in the 9 – 12 columns. A student, who turns 14 years of age anytime after September 1st, will be funded for the entire school year at the daily rate in the K-8 column. Fundable Daily Rate is determined by the student's primary disability approved by ADE/ESS.



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Funding will not begin until after students are approved by ADE/ESS and a correctly completed claim form is received by School Finance. Only submit claims on students for which a signed voucher approval with a current year number has been received from ADE/ESS.

Funding starts on the latter of date of ADE/ESS approval or date student actually enrolls and begins to receive educational services. Funding ends on the earliest of: expiration date of ADE/ESS approval, date student discharges from facility or date student withdraws and stops receiving educational services. For example - student approval is dated 09/01/11, student enrolls and begins receiving educational services 09/10/11 - 1st day of funding is 09/10/11; student withdraws and stops receiving educational services 11/10/11, student discharges 11/11/11 - last day of funding is 11/10/11.